

**ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE GAS COSTS AND GAS
PURCHASING POLICIES OF
PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY**

On April 6, 1988 the Public Service Commission of South Carolina issued its Order No. 88-294 which requires the annual review of the Purchased Gas Adjustment and the Gas Purchasing Policies of Piedmont Natural Gas Company.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission's hearing room, Synergy Business Park, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina on July 22, 2004 at 10:30 A.M. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-4-G.*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the undersigned and Mr. Tom Skains, President & COO, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Post Office Box 33068, Charlotte, North Carolina 28233 on or before June 14, 2004, and indicate the amount of time required for the presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-4-G.*

Any person, who wishes to participate in the Commission's consideration of this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before June 14, 2004. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-4-G.*

Any person who wishes to express his views, but is unable or does not desire to appear and testify at the hearing, should submit those views to the undersigned, in writing, on or before June 14, 2004. *Please refer to Docket No. 2004-4-G.*

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